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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- A rotor for small motors provided on its shaft with a plurality of rotor magnetic poles of a salient-pole
- configuration and a commutator unit, each of the rotor magnetic poles being composed of a winding around a laminated core and each of both ends of each wound wire being connected to a commutator leg part coupled with a tip of a corresponding commutator segment of the commutator unit, wherein:
- each of said commutator leg part is formed separately from the corresponding commutator segment, and the commutator leg part and the commutator segment are fixed by welding.
 - 2. The rotor for small motors, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said commutator leg parts are punched and cut out of a reel-wound flat parent metal sheet and fixed to the commutator segment tips.
 - 3. The rotor for small motors, as set forth in claim 2, wherein a disk-shaped varistor having a hole at its center is mounted over the base portion of each of said commutator leg parts on the reverse side to the winding in an axial direction of a shaft, and each electrode of the varistor is soldered onto the corresponding base portion.
 - 4. The rotor for small motors, as set forth in claim 1, wherein a disk-shaped varistor having a hole at its center is mounted over the base portions of said commutator leg parts on the reverse side to the winding in an axial direction of a shaft, and each electrode of the varistor is soldered onto the corresponding base portion.

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5. A manufacturing method for a rotor for small motors provided on its shaft with a plurality of rotor magnetic poles of a salient-pole configuration and a commutator unit, each of the rotor magnetic poles being composed of a winding around a laminated core and each of both ends of each wound wire being connected to a commutator leg part coupled with a tip of a corresponding commutator segment of the commutator unit, said method comprising steps of:

punching and cutting out of a reel-wound flat parent metal sheet each of said commutator leg parts having a base portion coupled with a tip of a commutator segment and a tip portion narrowed stepwise to let a wound wire end be connected, and at the same time, fixing the commutator leg part to the commutator segment tip so as to extend outward in a direction substantially normal to a radial direction from the commutator segment tip.

6. The manufacturing method for a rotor for small motors, as set forth in claim 5, further including steps of mounting a disk-shaped varistor having a hole at its center over the base portions of said commutator leg parts on the reverse side to the winding in an axial direction of a shaft, and soldering each electrode of the varistor onto the corresponding base portion.